

Memorandum



DATE: July 10, 2007

TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Agenda Item No. 5(T)

SUBJECT: Application for Additional Funds, Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached resolution, authorizing the County Mayor or his designee to apply for, receive and expend additional federal funds for the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program from the U.S. Department of Justice to support the Miami Dade Police Department (MDPD) in the amount of \$983,063. The grant period is from October 1, 2007 until September 30, 2011, and does not require any matching local or in-kind funds.

Scope

The grant will provide countywide services.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

This grant will provide \$983,063 in federal funds to implement the proposed project. The grant does not require any matching local or in-kind funds. The funding source is the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance.

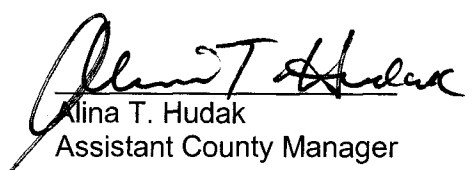
Track Record/Monitor

The Miami-Dade Police Department will manage this grant from the U. S. Department of Justice.

Background

On June 7, 2005, the Board of County Commissioners approved Resolution 600-05 authorizing the County Manager to receive and expend funds from the JAG Program. This action also authorized the County Manager to receive and expend additional funds should they become available. The JAG Program has allocated additional funds to the Miami-Dade Police Department in the amount of \$983,063. The grant requires that a public hearing be conducted on the application for these additional funds.

The purpose of the grant is to provide local government with funds to support projects that will reduce crime and improve public safety, as described in the attached grant application narrative which is due on July 2, 2007. Funds will be allocated in accordance with grant requirements.


Alina T. Hudak
Assistant County Manager

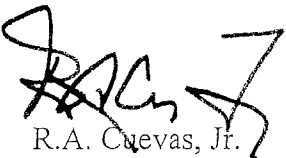


MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: July 10, 2007

FROM: 
R.A. Cuevas, Jr.
Acting County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 5(T)

Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- ☐ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- ☒ No committee review

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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07-10-07

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND ADDITIONAL FEDERAL FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS' BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE TO SUPPORT THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS AND EXECUTE SUCH CONTRACTS AND AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED IF AWARDED

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board approve the County Mayor or his designee to apply for, receive, and expend \$983,063 from the United States Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance, in substantially the grant application attached hereto and made a part hereof; and authorizes the County Mayor or his designee to receive and expend grant funds, execute such contracts and agreements as required by grant guidelines or to further the purposes described in the funding request; following approval by the County Attorney's Office; to expend any and all monies received for the purposes described in the funding request; to apply for, receive and expend future additional funds should they become available through this grant program; to file and execute any necessary amendments to the application for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida; and to exercise amendments, modifications, renewal, cancellation and termination clauses of any contracts and agreements on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman	
Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman	
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Carlos A. Gimenez	Sally A. Heyman
Joe A. Martinez	Dennis C. Moss
Dorrian D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 10th day of July, 2007. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency. LDD

Kenneth B. Drucker

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

**Miami-Dade Police Department
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)
Fiscal Years 2007-2011**

Law Enforcement Programs

\$983,063

The grant funds will be used to enhance law enforcement electronic communication at the patrol level. This electronic communication is the primary form of communication at the patrol level for public safety. The enhancement will allow communication using the industry standard that is used in Miami-Dade County. The enhancement of this electronic communication system is necessary for the workflow of digital sharing of sensitive information to serving the Miami-Dade Police Department and the criminal justice system.

Some examples of the kind of communication at the patrol level which are impacted daily include:

E-POLICE –a laptop application in over 1100 laptops in marked Miami-Dade Police vehicles. The laptops are completely integrated into Miami-Dade Police Enterprise network via wireless cellular connectivity and allow complete real-time access enabling personnel to retrieve any information from any agency including be on the look-out (BOLO's) and other critical law enforcement information;

E-NOTIFY - The management system for law enforcement personnel to attend court has been sponsored by Miami-Dade County and was approved by the Board of County Commissioners on June 5, 2007. This system provides real-time availability of electronic subpoenas and court notifications via the electronic e-mail system for all law enforcement witnesses countywide. It will provide a more efficient system, enabling personnel to be on the road for more time, benefiting the community;

SEXUAL CRIMES PREDATOR UNIT (SPU) - In accordance with the Florida Sexual Predator Act, the SPU acts as a clearinghouse for the entire county by maintaining and updating files and documentation of over 2,900 subjects. The Unit obtains and forwards information to local law enforcement agencies, Miami-Dade County Public School, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, and the community, as well as reviewing and extracting intelligence information as it relates to sexual offenders and sexual predators. The Section communicates with all these agencies primarily through the e-mail system on a daily basis.

COMMAND POST - During emergency and special event situations the Command Post is activated and the most crucial application for these emergencies and special events is the electronic messaging system. During emergencies such as hurricanes, the electronic messaging system provides the most up-to-date information for sharing among the multiple Federal, State and Local agencies including FEMA. Emergency E-Mail accounts are already configured and set up in case of a hurricane or other major disaster.

CRIME LAB – A database application is used to process the DNA profile. As a match occurs a PDF file is e-mailed to the requesting entity such as Miami-Dade County municipalities, as well as state and federal agencies (FDLE, FBI, etc.) to expedite investigations.

CRIME STOPPERS – Electronic Messaging allows for timely notification via global address book with different government agencies and media. This allows the sharing of timely investigative information to law enforcement agencies and general public.

JAG Federal Award

\$983,063

JAG Match Requirement

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Note: In accordance with grant requirements, 10% of these funds (\$98,300) will be used for administration of JAG funds.